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SUBJECT: NONPROLIFERATION SANCTIONS: A.Q. KHAN AND
ASSOCIATES - ELBARADEI WELCOMES "OVERDUE" ACTION

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- 11. (U) Mission shared sanctions decision information with senior IAEA officials and disseminated the Department's media note to PA contacts. Ambassador reached Director General ElBaradei by phone to brief personally on the announcement. In response to the DG's questions, the Ambassador confirmed that the individuals and firms came from multiple countries and that the sanctions were not directed against any one country.
- $\P2$. (SBU) ElBaradei characterized the U.S. action as a "good signal" and "probably overdue."

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